

## PASTOR FOR RUM.

### Episcopal Rector Resigns to Fight Prohibition.

## CHURCH PEOPLE ARE SHOCKED

Rev. Dr. Wasson Calls Opponents Blasphemers—Dr. Wasson an "Orgy of Hypocrisy and Lawbreaking"—Will Be a Devotee of "Wet" Crusade.

Riverhead, N. Y., May 17.—Through-out Long Island and perhaps elsewhere church people are today deeply shocked by the sensational retirement from the pulpit of Rev. Dr. William A. Wasson, which came like the bursting of a bombshell, although the preacher's leaning toward the "wets" was so well known as to be described as "notorious."

In a long letter that denounces prohibitionists as blasphemers of the Saviour and dubs the workings of their doctrine "an orgy of hypocrisy and lawbreaking," Dr. Wasson handed in to Bishop Burgess of Long Island his resignation as rector of Grace Protestant Episcopal church. The preacher's avowed reason for quitting the parish in which he has labored for eight years is to work in the cause of anti-prohibition, and that will be his single pursuit. In collaboration with his brother, the Rev. Dr. Edward A. Wasson, of St. Stephen's church, Newark, the Riverhead clergyman intends writing a book on the true meaning of temperance. His resignation takes effect Sept. 1.

To fight to the death with that "supreme immorality that confronts the Christian church in this country under the guise of that noble word temperance," will be Dr. Wasson's entire occupation henceforth, he says. Only hypocrisy and perfidy, the preacher argues, can result from the crusade against drink waged by the prohibitionists. It denies and destroys, he insists, the liberty granted to mankind by Jesus Christ. The Universal church in all its branches, he adds, formally places the wine cup in the hands of a communicant and bids him drink that which the sacrament holds is the blood of the Saviour.

"Our bodies are strengthened and refreshed by the bread and wine," Dr. Wasson quotes and launches into a detailed denunciation of the prohibitionists.

Dr. Wasson is a brother of the Rev. James B. Wasson, formerly assistant pastor of St. Thomas' Episcopal church in Manhattan. Before coming here he was pastor of Grace Episcopal church in Brooklyn. Four years ago he began his anti-prohibition struggles in an open letter to a local newspaper, in which he vehemently advocated license in the liquor traffic.

Although the clergyman was criticized by his congregation, the town of Riverhead responded to his sally by going "wet" in the elections. Subsequently he carried his fight into every town in Suffolk county, and as a result practically the whole county voted anti-prohibition.

## TIRED OF MARRIED LIFE.

### Boy of Eighteen Wants Marriage Annulled After a Week's Experience.

Syracuse, N. Y., May 17.—"I am tired of married life and want the marriage annulled," said eighteen-year-old Leo McBride Snell, a high school student, after one week of married life.

Young Snell was brought home Saturday with his youthful bride, Ruth Irene Van Brocklin, by his father, Professor L. J. Snell, from the Grand Union hotel in New York. They were married a week ago Saturday at Niagara Falls, Ont. Mrs. Van Brocklin said her daughter could live with her, but that her son-in-law would have to get busy right away. Enraged after an argument with his father in New York, the groom tore up his marriage certificate.

Young Mrs. Snell appeared happy at the prospect of married life.

Weather Probabilities.  
Increasing cloudiness today; showers tomorrow; light to moderate winds.

## FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

### Closing Stock Quotations.

Money on call today was 2 1/2 per cent; time money and mercantile paper unchanged in rate. Closing stock quotations on the New York exchange May 18 were:

Amal. Copper...	7 1/4	Nor. & West...	10 1/2
Atchafson...	110	Northwestern...	15 1/4
B. & O...	111	Penn. R. R...	13 1/4
Brooklyn R. T. R...	80 1/4	Reading...	16 1/4
Ches. & Ohio...	80 1/2	Rock Island...	4 1/4
C. & C. & St. L...	84	St. Paul...	12 1/4
D. & H...	17 1/4	Southern Pac...	12 1/4
Gen. Electric...	14 1/4	Southern Ry. pf...	27
Ill. Central...	135	Sugar...	12 1/4
Int. Met...	35 1/4	Texas Pacific...	32 1/4
La. & N. O...	147	Union Pacific...	18 1/4
Manhattan...	126	U. S. Steel...	8 1/4
Missouri Pac...	69 1/4	U. S. Steel pf...	11 1/4
N. Y. Central...	12 1/4	West. Union...	6 1/4

## PUBLIC PLAY GROUND.

We have several letters requesting an expression as to the advisability of a public play-ground for school children. We do not know, nor have we heard of any of the five or six hundred children of Honesdale, who are suffering for more play room, nor have we heard of any desire of any playable child wanting a public playground. There are so many back yards and vacant lots, in this borough, that the children seem to get all the play they need or want. As to destroying Central Park and making it an eye sore (such as all play grounds are), instead of a place of beauty, we would suggest that the gentlemen who are anxious to make this change, get up a petition and have it signed by a majority of the people who own property fronting on the Park, before urging the town council's action. The property owners facing Central Park purchased their property mainly because of its location to the Park, and to destroy the Park would to some extent destroy the value of their property. In New York City a public play ground means at least 50 per cent. depreciation in values of property adjoining or in close proximity. We all love children, and the taxpayers have shown their love for them by expending between eighty-five and one hundred thousand dollars in school buildings, grounds, etc., and when you take into consideration that we number about 3000 people, that is going some.

## NEW AUTOMATIC TELEGRAPH.

New York, May 12.—In pursuance of its plan to interlace the whole country at an early date with its web of automatic telegraph wires, announcement was made in New York to-day that the Telepost Company has under advisement the expansion of its system to all parts of Pennsylvania.

Connection is to be established by way of New York, Washington, D. C., and Pittsburgh, to which points the system is now being extended. William H. McCollum, former Superintendent of Construction of the Postal Company, who is in charge of the extensions of the automatic system, has been looking over the ground for some time, and reports conditions unusually favorable for the inauguration of work on the line. For the last 18 months the Telepost has been in successful commercial operation in New England and in the Middle West.

This system is regarded by scientific men as the most brilliant achievement in the evolution of telegraphy since Morse's time, representing the conquest of a new basic principle in telegraphy that presages for that industry a world wide revolution with its 2000 words a minute service and rates of one cent, half-cent and quarter of a cent a word, regardless of time or distance.

By the Telepost system a message is transmitted with equal facility over either a telegraph or telephone wire. Its rates are the lowest and its service the most rapid in the world.

Civic organizations and boards of trade throughout the state, have been in touch with the officials of the Telepost for several months and have assured the company of their readiness to co-operate with it in anyway it can suggest the extension of its lines to Pennsylvania.

Among the cities and towns under consideration for Telepost extension are: Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Easton, Scranton, Reading, Erie, Chester, Wilkes-Barre, Harrisburg, Allentown, Pottstown, York, Williamsport, Lancaster, Johnstown, Allegheny, New Castle, Meadville, Akona, Honesdale.

Patrick B. Delany, the inventor of the Telepost system which is now used between Boston and Portland and between Chicago, St. Louis, Indianapolis, Terre Haute, and other cities in Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, Indiana, Illinois, and Missouri, is an old associate of Thomas A. Edison. The discovery of the new scientific principle which made his invention possible, is the realization of an ambition Delany and Edison had as far back as 1871, when he and the wizard experimented on improvements to the Morse methods of hand transmission over a special wire constructed between Washington and New York with the idea of evolving a system of rapid telegraphy to displace the mails for long distance communication.

Of the \$1,500,000 expended every year for telegraph service by the Associated Press it is figured out that approximately \$700,000 will be saved by the use of the automatic service, when it completes its continent wide expansion.

## MUCH NEARER CORRECT.

Teacher—Jimmie, correct this sentence: "Our teacher am in sight."  
Jimmie—"Our teacher am a sight."

## HENRY B. QUINBY.

New Hampshire Governor Finds Unrest in West.



New York, May 17.—Governor Henry B. Quinby of New Hampshire, who has just been making a tour of the middle west, says that he found so many New Hampshire and Maine folk settled out there that he could hardly realize he was out of New England. The governor also made a political discovery.

"I found the same feeling of unrest all through the southwest and middle west that pervades the east," he said. "It is hard just to define it, but I should say the people in that section are not satisfied with the tariff."

## RESUME HEIKE TRIAL.

### Hearing Fraud Case of Aged Officer of American Sugar Refining Co.

New York, May 17.—With the opening of the United States circuit court today the trial of Charles R. Heike, who has been secretary of the American Sugar Refining company for many years and was a confidential employee of the late H. O. Havemeyer, was resumed. He is being tried for conspiracy to cheat the government out of duties by false weighing of sugar.

Mr. Heike, bent by age and gray haired, is the highest officer of the



CHARLES R. HEIKE.

company indicted by the government in connection with these frauds, the indictment charging in his case that he received and indorsed the checks of the government for the refund which the custom house made on the false weights turned in by the weighers. On July 3, 1907, it is charged, he indorsed a check for \$2,701 drawn to the order of the company by the disbursing officer of the custom house, on Aug. 22 another for \$4,535 and on Sept. 9 one for \$719, these amounts, instead of being proper refunds, being, in the language of the indictment, "a portion of the duties lawfully due on sugars imported into the United States."

With Heike are being tried this time five other employees of the company, all of whom were indicted after months of investigation done by Special Prosecutor Henry L. Stinson. Heike's co-defendants are E. W. Gerbracht, formerly general superintendent in the Havemeyers & Elder refinery in Williamsburg; James F. Bendernagel, the cashier; Harry Walker, superintendent of the Williamsburg dock, where the sugar was weighed, and Jean M. Voelker and James F. Halligan, checkers.

## Frank Fenton Kills His Wife.

Washington, May 17.—Frank Fenton, a race track follower, well known to New York bookmakers, killed his wife at her mother's home here and then committed suicide by firing a bullet into his own head. Mrs. Fenton was the divorced wife of Dick Taylor, a well known secret service man.

## SAW THE COMET BEFORE.

Mrs. Helen Simpkins, George C. Miller, F. B. Hight and probably a number of others among our older citizens, saw Halley's comet at the time of its last previous visit in 1835—seventy-five years ago. It came in winter then, and Mr. Miller recalls the fact that one night the entire atmosphere was bathed in a red light which made the snow look as if it were tinged with blood. Nearly everyone thought the world was about to come to an end. It is something worthy of note that one has lived to see a visitor twice that comes but once in three-quarters of a century. There are many who remember the fine comets of 1861 and 1874, which were of great brilliance. —Tunkhannock Republican.

## SEELYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

### Commencement Exercises Held on Friday Evening Last.

The Seelyville Chapel was filled to overflowing with the parents, relatives and friends of the pupils of the High school, on Friday evening, May 13, 1910, it being the second annual commencement exercises. Principal C. W. Iloff, with his assistants, Mr. Ira Marsh and Miss Clara A. Eck, after a year of faithful labor in the cause of education, had prepared a programme of exercises by their pupils which was very gratifying to the patrons of this school district, as the evidence of the benefits derived by the higher education which is afforded in their high school were clearly proven by the excellent manner in which the graduates acquitted themselves. The Lyric orchestra furnished the music which added greatly to the enjoyment of the occasion. Principal Iloff presided and introduced those who took part. The programme was as follows: "The Planting of Trees," Daniel Eno; Class Solo, Rose M. Hahn; Class History, Mattie M. Erk; "Uses of Adversity," Helen M. Faatz; Music, Lyric Orchestra; "The American Flag," Rose M. Hahn; Solo, Gladys Mantle; "The Extent of Patriotism," Mildred C. Thompson; Music, Lyric Orchestra; Class Prophecy, Raymond Thayer; Address, Supt. J. J. Koehler; Presentation of Diplomas, Supt. J. J. Koehler. Dr. Waller, for some reason not known, failed to be present, and Supt. Koehler, without any previous notice, was asked to make the address, and although he had expected to be entertained with an address by Dr. Waller, he kindly consented to fill the gap, and gave the audience one of those simple, plain, wholesome talks on the benefits of a high school education that make a more lasting impression upon the ordinary audience than many an address which is carefully prepared and elaborately arranged, but which is understood only in spots.

The class colors were blue and gold. The class motto was "Row, Not Drift." The class consisted of Mildred C. Thompson, first honor; Rose M. Hahn, second honor; Helen M. Faatz, third honor; Mattie M. Erk, Gladys Mantle, Cecil Box, Daniel M. Eno, Raymond Thayer.

The Board of Directors which consists of H. A. Dunkelberg, President; George Evans, Secretary; Walter Stock, Treasurer; George P. Griener, Freeman Lester, and A. W. Eno, were present and it must have been a source of gratification to them to see the admirable results of the year's course. There were many in the audience who came from neighboring towns and communities; among the Honesdalers, we noticed our Presiding Judge, who is an enthusiast on anything of an educational character. It was a well-pleased audience that wended their way homeward, and many pleasant and well-deserved compliments were heard of the good work of Principal Iloff and his assistants.

## STATE MODEL ORCHARDS.

### Bordeaux-Lead Arsenate Spray to be Demonstrated in 200 Orchards.

Following the public demonstrations on pruning and spraying fruit trees for scale insects held in the State's Model Orchards during March and April, the work will now be taken up of applying an effective combined insecticide and fungicide, viz., the Bordeaux-Lead Arsenate Spray, which prevents injury to fruits and foliage from codling moth, curculio and other chewing insects, as well as the development of rot, scab, rust, blotch, leaf blights and fungus, etc.

## \$250,000 For Aviation Meet.

New York, May 17.—It is reported that August Belmont, representing Belmont park, one of the two sites on Long Island to be selected for the international aviation meet, is prepared to give \$250,000 to secure the event for his grounds if necessary.

## Market Reports.

BUTTER—Firm; receipts, 5,967 packages; creamery, specials, per lb., 25c; extras, 24c; thirds to firsts, 23 1/2c; old, 22 1/2c; state dairy, finest, 22c; common to fine, 21 1/2c; process, specials, 23 1/2c; seconds to extras, 22 1/2c; factory, seconds to firsts, 21 1/2c; imitation creamery, 20 1/2c.

CHEESE—Firm; receipts, 383 boxes; state, full cream, new, specials, 14 1/2c; fancy, colored and white, 14c; good to prime, 13 1/2c; common, 13 1/4c; old, as to quality, 16 1/2c; skims, specials, 11 1/2c; fine, 10 1/2c; common to good, 9 1/2c; full skims, 9 1/4c.

LIVE POULTRY—Steady; prices not settled.

## LYING IN STATE.

### King Edward's Body Moved to Westminster.

## SIMPLE, IMPRESSIVE SERVICE.

### London Sees Remains Taken From Buckingham Palace—First Participation of Public in Obsequies. Series of Solemn Pageantry.

London, May 17.—With solemn ceremonies the body of the late King Edward VII. was removed today from Buckingham palace to Westminster, where it will remain until next Friday, when the funeral is to take place. The city was crowded today with an army of spectators from the provinces and the continent.

It was the first time that the public has participated in the obsequies.

The body arrived at Westminster at noon today, where there was a brief religious service conducted by the archbishop of Canterbury and the bishop of London. This service was attended by the house of lords and house of commons.

From the moment the procession left Buckingham palace till the casket was placed on the catafalque in Westminster, Big Ben, the famous bell that booms out the passing hours from the clock tower of the house of parliament, tolled every fifteen seconds.

The ancient hall was not draped, and the ceremonial was of magnificent simplicity. The coffin rested on a draped catafalque. The only sign of decoration was a purple cloth covering the platform of the catafalque and the trappings of the bier. The king and queen, the queen mother and other royal mourners were grouped about the catafalque during the service.

From today until the departure of the cortege next Friday from Paddington station for Windsor castle the inhabitants of London and visitors from out of town will be spectators of a succession of solemn and impressive services. The funeral of Queen Victoria touched London only in its passage from one railroad station to another. In King Edward's funeral the people will be able to see the transit of the coffin from the palace to Westminster hall, the two days lying in state and the final military pageant on Friday, when the cortege will traverse three miles of the streets of London.

Colonel Theodore Roosevelt, who is acting as special ambassador of the United States at the obsequies, is stopping at Dorchester House. King George V. has received him warmly, but as the court is in mourning has not been able to extend to the former president the hospitality which would otherwise mark the reception of the distinguished American.

Mr. Roosevelt witnessed today's services.

An idea of the probable cost of the funeral can be gained from the expense in connection with Queen Victoria's. The latter amounted to \$150,000, of which \$42,000 was spent for the entertainment of royal foreign guests and \$50,000 for the expenses of the troops. Many more royalties will be present at King Edward's funeral than were at Queen Victoria's. The cost, therefore, will be proportionally greater.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, daughter of Colonel Roosevelt, has arrived here from America and is with the Roosevelt party.

## TALE OF TAIL OF WHALE.

### Juneau, Alaska, Hears It Crushed in the Stern of the Whaler.

Juneau, Alaska, May 17.—An unusual disaster befell the whaler Sorenson, owned by the Tyce Whaling company of San Francisco, when it was wrecked last Thursday by a blow of a whale's tail off Cape Carmaney. A harpooned whale crushed the hull of the whaler so that the vessel sank in four minutes. All the crew escaped in small boats.

## FIFTY-EIGHT FEET OF SNOW.

"Probably you wouldn't believe it, but snow fell during the past winter in Valdez, Alaska, to the depth of 58 feet by actual measurements taken during the year," said W. M. Gilman of that city.

"Little of the city protruded above the snow during the past winter, though sunshine and heavy rains combined to keep the average depth about fifteen feet. Valdez presented a peculiar sight during the winter. Stovepipes and chimneys were just visible above the top of the snow, and entrances to the stores and houses were made by tunnels through the snow. All the business affairs had to be carried on by electric light, which was burned all winter, day and night. Hotels and boarding houses were crowded with miners waiting to start for the inland mining districts over the Fairbanks trail."

"A large number of miners went over the Fairbanks trail during the past year to claims in the interior of Alaska. Along this trail there are comfortable road houses every ten miles or so, and there are none of the hardships that were the portion of the earlier prospectors before the trail was established.

"Many 'mushers,' as the miners are called up there, made the journey from Valdez to the interior by one horse sleighs and dog trains pulled by the Eskimo 'huskie' dogs, which are worth as much as good horses in that country." —Washington Herald.

## TO THE PUBLIC!

It has been reported on several different occasions by the business people and newspapers of our town, that the cut glass manufacturers whose employees are now on strike, would not meet or confer with a committee of their employees in order to come to some settlement whereby the men now on strike could go to work. We take this occasion to inform the public that we have on two different occasions met a committee of our employees, including the organizer, Mr. Luckock. We have at both meetings gone over the situation thoroughly, and this firm has granted all the demands made upon them, with the exception of the closed shop, which will not be granted under any circumstances. We have information that a large majority of the good and satisfied employees are anxious to resume work, but are being influenced to hold out until the demand for a closed shop is granted. The result of our endeavors to terminate the present trouble by meeting their demands more than half way is not encouraging, as we have Mr. Luckock's refusal, unless a contract is signed for a closed shop.

We are sure we have done our part in trying to adjust this trouble, and by publicly announcing what we have done, we feel we have dealt justly with the business people of our town. We might also add, that if our offer of adjustment is not accepted soon, by the men, we will fill their places with apprentices and journeymen, who have applied to us for work, and whom we have hesitated to put on, hoping the trouble could be adjusted. We will expect the co-operation of our city officials, to protect in every way those who wish to assert their right to independence, and sell their labor where they like, and to whom they like, and not be controlled by any faction or organization, which takes away their personal liberty and independence.

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## THEY MET IN HONESDALE.

### Interesting Meeting of the Methodist Missionary Society.

The annual convention of the Honesdale district, Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church was held at Honesdale last week. A very interesting programme was enjoyed by a large number.

The principal address was by Miss Payne, of Mexico, a returned missionary. She told of the terrible condition of that country and the great need of work at that place, in a most entertaining manner.

Mrs. Pierce Butler gave the response to the greetings from Honesdale, and Mrs. M. O. Abbey, who was the delegate from the Carbondale auxiliary, gave the report of the branch of that city, and also read the memorials of the two members who have died in the past year, Miss Alice Butler and Mrs. S. T. Burnard.

The following ladies attended from Carbondale: Mesdames Pierce Butler, Helms, John Gibbs, D. C. Ben-scooter, Chilton, A. E. Tiffany, M. O. Abbey and Miss Ethel Inch.

## NOTICE.

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